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PENNSYLVANIA EMPLOYMENT AND EARNINGS

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JULY UNADJUSTED EMPLOYMENT INCREASES 106,000 TO A NEW ALL-TIME HIGH OF 5,366,000

Employment, not seasonally adjusted, among Commonwealth residents rose by 106,000 persons from June to July to a new record level of 5,366,000. This is the second consecutive all-time high and the sixth straight monthly rise in Pennsylvania's employment. Unemployment, not adjusted for seasonality, fell by 30,000 during July to register 387,000 persons, the lowest level of jobless since April 1981 when 374,000 Pennsylvanians were reported unemployed. The unadjusted rate of unemployment reflected this positive movement in employment and unemployment volume, dropping 0.6 percent to 6.7 percent in July. Pennsylvania's unadjusted rate was three-tenths of a percentage point below the comparable U.S. rate of 7.0 percent.

After adjusting the Current Population Survey (CPS) data for seasonal factors, little change was reported in Pennsylvania's economy since June. Seasonally adjusted employment increased by 3,000 during July to 5,214,000. This total was 111,000 above the July 1985 figure of 5,103,000. Seasonally adjusted unemployment rose slightly to 371,000 in July after setting a new recovery low of 362,000 in June 1986. July's jobless volume was 63,000 persons below the year-ago figure of 434,000. July's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate, the percent of unemployed persons within the State's civilian labor force, rose by 0.1 percentage point to 6.6 percent. This jobless rate was three-tenths of a percentage point below the U.S. rate of 6.9 percent and 1.2 percentage points below the Keystone State's year-ago rate of 7.8 percent.

The United States seasonally adjusted rate fell from 7.1 to 6.9 percent in July, the Labor Department reported. Nationwide, civilian employment rose by 209,000 to 109,882,000 persons after seasonal adjustment. Adjusted unemployment declined by 253,000 persons to 8,190,000 in July.

JULY'S NONAGRICULTURAL PAYROLL EMPLOYMENT OF 4,828,600 ROSE 78,200 JOBS OVER THE YEAR

Nonfarm wage and salary employment in Pennsylvania decreased by 25,600 to total 4,828,600 in July. Despite the drop, there were 78,200 more jobs this July than were reported one year ago. Nonmanufacturing industries accounted for 3,763,000 jobs throughout the State, an increase of 104,200 over the July 1985 level of 3,663,800.

The largest over-the month gains in nonmanufacturing occurred in contract construction, up 9,500 jobs; public utilities, up 5,400; services, up 4,900; and finance, insurance, and real estate, up 2,300. The largest job decrease occurred in local government, down 38,900 jobs since June partly as a result of the Philadelphia municipal workers labor-management dispute. Substantial over-the-year gains were reported in retail trade, business services, and health services.

Among manufacturing industries, employment continued to wane in both the durable goods and nondurable goods sectors, down since June by 8,000 and 6,500, respectively. However, four industries reported over-the-year gains of 1,000 or more jobs: lumber and wood products; printing and publishing; textile mill products; and food products.

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AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS REMAIN STABLE

Average weekly earnings of production workers in Pennsylvania's plants and factories remained above the $390.00 mark in July, gaining six cents to $390.57. Average weekly hours worked dropped from 40.3 to 40.1 this month. The small decline in the average workweek was offset by an hourly earnings gain of 5 cents to average $9.74 in July.

TOTAL CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE
EMPLOYMENT AND UNEMPLOYMENT IN PENNSYLVANIA
(All Persons in Thousands)

RESIDENT DATA*	JULY 1986	JUNE 1986	JULY 1985	NET CHANGE FROM: JUNE 1986	NET CHANGE FROM: JULY 1985
UNADJUSTED DATA					
Civilian Labor Force	5,753	5,676	5,706	77.0	47.0
Employment	5,366	5,260	5,258	106.0	108.0
Unemployment	387	417	448	-30.0	-61.0
Unemployment Rate (%)	6.7	7.3	7.8	-0.6	-1.1
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED DATA					
Civilian Labor Force	5,585	5,573	5,537	12.0	48.0
Employment	5,214	5,211	5,103	3.0	111.0
Unemployment	371	362	434	9.0	-63.0
Unemployment Rate (%)	6.6	6.5	7.8	0.1	-1.2

FOOTNOTES:

P/ July data are preliminary and subject to revision.

Resident Data are workers by place of residence. They include wage and salary workers, self-employed and unpaid family workers and persons involved in labor management disputes.

Establishment Data are estimates of jobs by place of work. Persons involved in labor management disputes are not included.

Nonagricultural Wage and Salary Employment data in this release have been revised to first quarter 1985 benchmarks and are, therefore, not strictly comparable with figures published prior to March 1986.

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ESTABLISHMENT EMPLOYMENT

MANUFACTURING AND SELECTED NONMANUFACTURING INDUSTRY DETAIL

PENNSYLVANIA: JULY 1986, JUNE 1986 AND JULY 1985

(Employment in Thousands)

ESTABLISHMENT DATA	JULY 1986 P/	JUNE 1986	JULY 1985	[—NET CHANGE—] JUNE 1986	JULY 1985
NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE AND SALARY	4828.6	4854.2	4750.4	-25.6	78.2
MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES	1045.0	1058.7	1084.6	-13.7	-89.6
DURABLE GOODS INDUSTRIES	594.8	602.8	626.7	-8.0	-31.9
LUMBER AND WOOD PRODUCTS	26.5	26.2	24.7	0.3	1.8
FURNITURE AND FIXTURES	19.4	19.2	19.6	0.2	-0.2
STONE, CLAY, AND GLASS PRODUCTS	48.5	49.1	48.6	-0.6	-0.1
PRIMARY METAL INDUSTRIES	92.6	94.1	105.0	-1.5	-12.4
FABRICATED METAL PRODUCTS	88.6	89.2	91.2	-0.6	-2.6
MACHINERY, EXCEPT ELECTRICAL	106.8	107.8	114.5	-0.5	-7.7
ELECTRIC & ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT	97.0	98.3	102.5	-1.3	-5.5
TRANSPORTATION EQUIPMENT	58.5	60.6	62.1	-2.1	-3.6
INSTRUMENTS AND RELATED PRODUCTS	36.6	37.0	38.0	-0.4	-1.4
MISCELLANEOUS MANUFACTURES	20.3	21.0	20.5	-0.7	-0.2
NONDURABLE GOODS INDUSTRIES	450.2	456.7	457.9	-6.5	-7.7
FOOD AND KINDRED PRODUCTS	91.4	91.2	90.4	0.2	1.0
TOBACCO MANUFACTURES	1.7	1.8	2.2	-0.1	-0.5
TEXTILE MILL PRODUCTS	30.9	31.4	29.3	-0.5	1.6
APPAREL AND OTHER TEXTILE PRODS.	89.5	93.4	97.3	-3.9	-7.8
PAPER AND ALLIED PRODUCTS	42.3	42.8	42.2	-0.5	0.1
PRINTING AND PUBLISHING	77.6	77.7	75.8	-0.1	1.8
CHEMICALS AND ALLIED PRODUCTS	60.2	60.4	60.2	-0.2	0.0
PETROLEUM AND COAL PRODUCTS	10.9	11.1	13.0	-0.2	-2.1
RUBBER AND PLASTICS PRODUCTS	35.0	35.9	36.4	-0.9	-1.4
LEATHER AND LEATHER PRODUCTS	10.7	11.0	11.1	-0.3	-0.4
NONMANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES	3768.0	3789.0	3663.8	-21.0	104.2
MINING	35.0	35.3	37.6	-0.3	-2.6
CONTRACT CONSTRUCTION	219.9	210.4	208.8	9.5	11.1
TRANSPORTATION	131.0	137.7	132.4	-6.7	-1.4
PUBLIC UTILITIES	102.3	96.9	102.9	5.4	-0.6
COMMUNICATIONS	47.7	42.7	48.3	5.0	-0.6
ELECTRIC, GAS AND SANITARY	54.6	54.2	54.6	0.4	0.0
WHOLESALE TRADE	261.5	260.6	255.2	0.9	6.3
RETAIL TRADE	855.2	854.8	818.3	0.4	36.9
GENERAL MERCHANDISE STORES	131.2	130.5	125.9	0.7	5.3
FINANCE, INSURANCE AND REAL ESTATE	278.3	276.0	267.4	2.3	10.9
BANKING	88.8	88.0	84.9	0.8	3.9
INSURANCE CARRIERS	76.8	76.4	75.6	0.4	1.2
SERVICES AND MISCELLANEOUS	1248.2	1238.3	1178.4	4.9	64.8
BUSINESS SERVICES	212.9	211.1	190.9	1.8	22.0
HEALTH SERVICES	408.7	406.1	390.0	2.6	18.7
HOSPITALS	224.3	223.5	217.5	0.8	6.9
LEGAL SERVICES	33.8	33.7	32.0	0.1	1.8
EDUCATIONAL SERVICES	122.6	129.7	115.8	-7.1	6.8
SOCIAL SERVICES	72.8	71.7	69.1	1.1	3.7
MISCELLANEOUS SERVICES	56.6	56.0	53.6	0.6	3.0
GOVERNMENT	641.6	679.0	662.8	-37.4	-21.2
FEDERAL	138.7	138.9	140.7	-0.2	-2.0
STATE	138.0	136.3	139.3	1.7	-1.3
LOCAL	364.9	403.8	382.8	-38.9	-17.9
PERSONS IN LABOR-MGMT. DISPUTES	15.6	6.5	2.0	9.1	13.6

P/ = Preliminary data, subject to revision.

AVERAGE HOURLY AND WEEKLY EARNINGS AND WEEKLY HOURS
MANUFACTURING AND SELECTED NONMANUFACTURING INDUSTRY DETAIL
PENNSYLVANIA: JULY 1986, JUNE 1986 AND JULY 1985
(Production Worker Averages)

ESTABLISHMENT DATA	AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS			AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS			AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS		
	JULY 1986 p/	JUNE 1986	JULY 1985	JULY 1986 p/	JUNE 1986	JULY 1985	JULY 1986 p/	JUNE 1986	JULY 1985
MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES	390.57	390.51	383.04	40.1	40.3	39.9	9.74	9.69	9.60
DURABLE GOODS	427.76	431.36	425.17	40.7	41.2	41.0	10.51	10.47	10.37
LUMBER AND WOOD PRODUCTS	328.00	324.39	307.22	41.0	40.6	40.8	8.00	7.99	7.53
FURNITURE AND FIXTURES	325.28	346.58	325.48	38.0	40.3	39.5	8.56	8.60	8.24
STONE, CLAY, AND GLASS PRODS.	419.38	428.33	408.87	41.4	42.2	41.3	10.13	10.15	9.90
PRIMARY METALS	514.04	512.93	519.94	40.7	41.1	42.1	12.63	12.48	12.35
FABRICATED METAL PRODUCTS	423.94	426.72	408.41	41.4	42.0	40.8	10.24	10.16	10.01
NONELECTRICAL MACHINERY	444.64	448.56	431.19	41.4	41.8	41.5	10.74	10.74	10.39
ELECTRIC AND ELECTRONIC MACH.	390.57	401.99	382.24	40.6	41.7	39.9	9.62	9.64	9.58
TRANSPORTATION EQUIPMENT	468.46	464.09	491.71	39.7	39.7	41.6	11.80	11.69	11.82
INSTRUMENTS AND RELATED PROD.	398.75	406.07	395.20	40.4	41.1	41.6	9.87	9.88	9.50
MISCELLANEOUS MANUFACTURES	372.49	374.10	340.34	39.5	40.4	37.9	9.48	9.26	8.98
NONDURABLE GOODS	342.22	339.47	328.02	40.3	39.2	38.5	8.78	8.66	8.52
FOOD AND KINDRED PRODUCTS	379.49	385.56	374.26	40.2	40.5	40.2	9.44	9.52	9.31
TOBACCO PRODUCTS	249.89	244.77	231.07	40.5	39.8	38.9	6.17	6.15	5.94
TEXTILE MILL PRODUCTS	272.80	279.89	246.66	40.0	41.1	37.6	6.82	6.81	6.56
APPAREL AND RELATED PRODUCTS	201.08	201.72	199.63	34.6	34.6	34.8	5.81	5.83	5.82
PAPER PRODUCTS	466.86	448.59	413.09	44.5	43.3	41.6	10.48	10.36	9.93
PRINTING AND PUBLISHING	405.67	396.63	403.69	39.5	39.0	39.5	10.27	10.17	10.22
CHEMICAL AND ALLIED PRODUCTS	462.56	476.57	461.74	41.3	42.1	41.9	11.20	11.32	11.02
PETROLEUM AND COAL PRODUCTS	568.94	540.06	546.96	43.2	41.8	42.4	13.17	12.92	12.90
RUBBER AND PLASTICS PRODUCTS	354.09	345.17	345.26	40.7	40.8	40.1	8.70	8.46	8.61
LEATHER PRODUCTS	211.39	217.16	207.20	36.7	38.3	37.2	5.76	5.67	5.57
NONMANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES									
ANTHRACITE COAL MINING	409.87	447.17	406.46	37.8	40.8	37.6	10.83	10.96	10.81
BITUMINOUS COAL MINING	519.55	499.49	574.86	35.2	34.4	39.7	14.76	14.52	14.48
COMMUNICATIONS	546.31	535.51	511.11	41.2	40.6	40.5	13.26	13.19	12.62
ELECTRIC, GAS, & SANITARY	594.02	600.48	561.80	42.4	42.8	42.4	14.01	14.03	13.25
GENERAL MERCHANDISE STORES	184.59	182.50	176.98	29.3	29.2	30.4	6.30	6.25	5.82

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PENNSYLVANIA ECONOMIC INDICATORS
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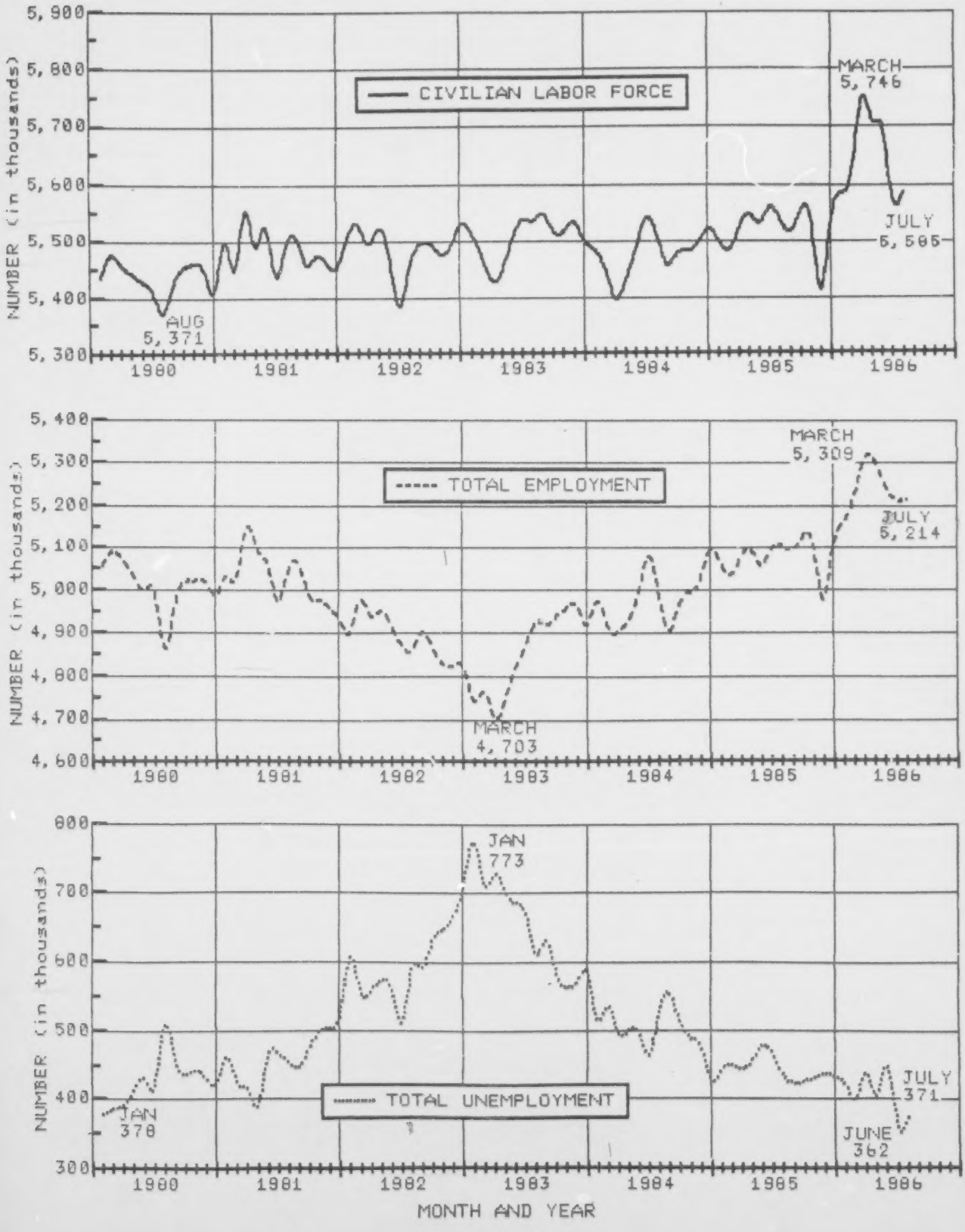

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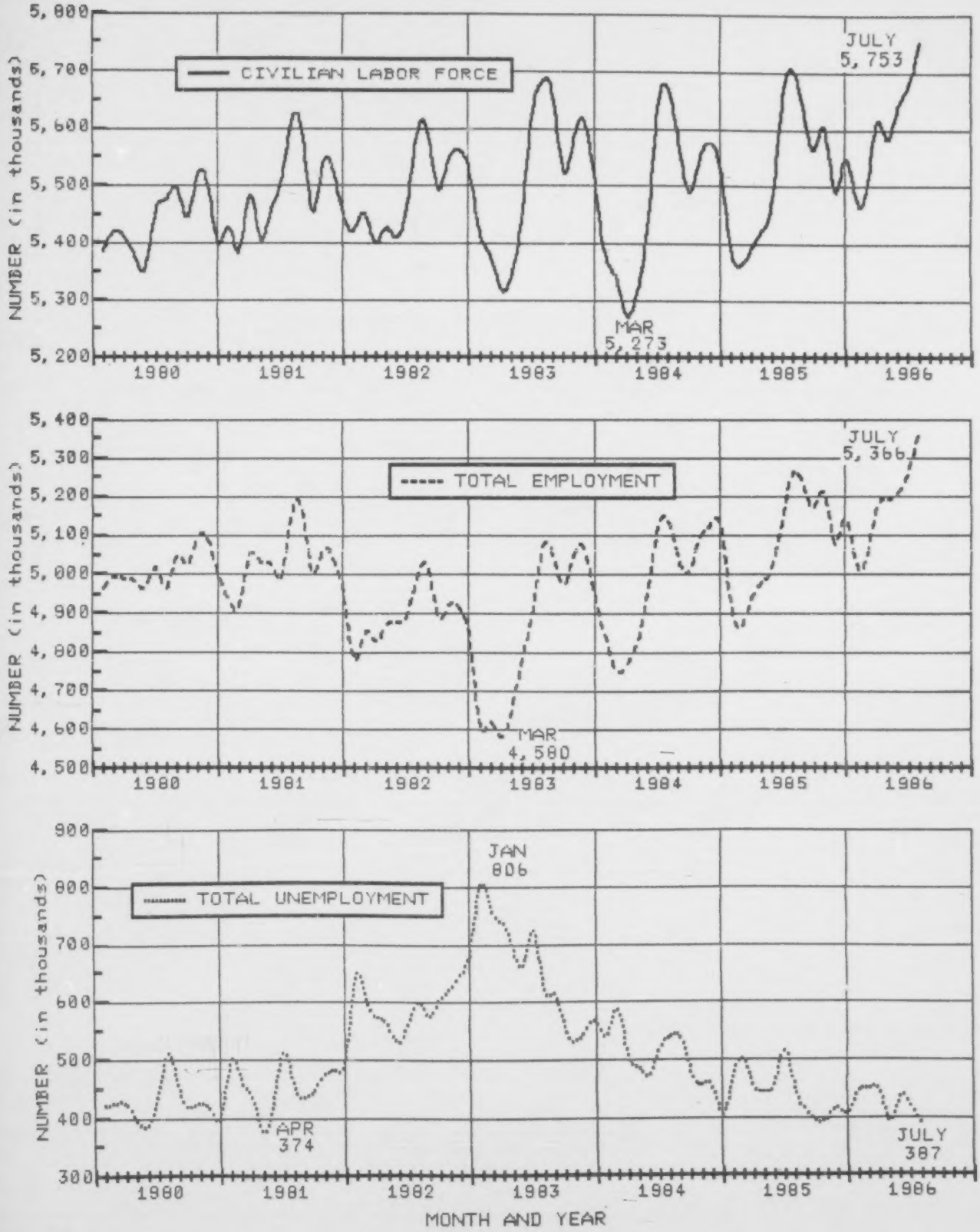

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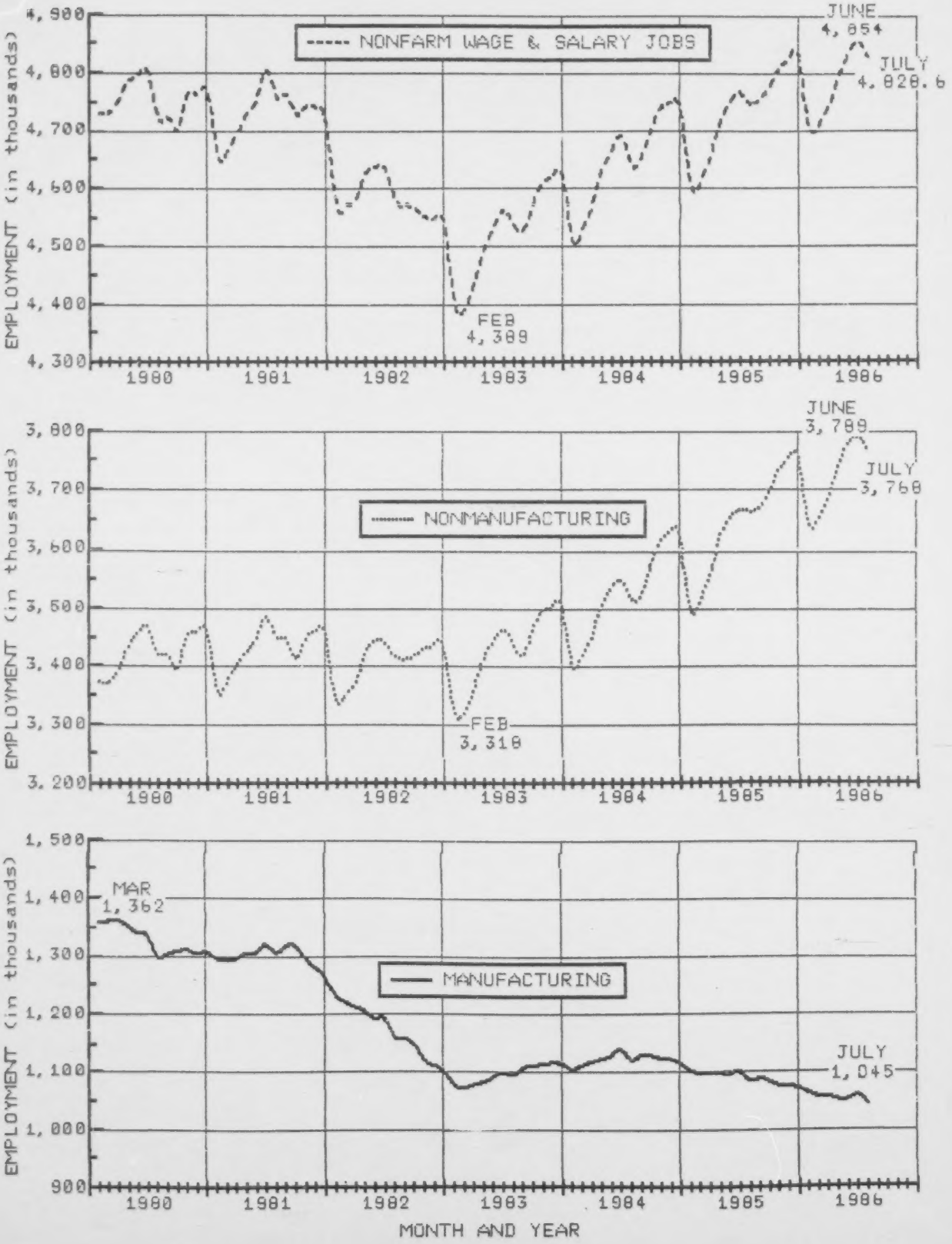

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